

**An Articulation Agreement
Between
College of DuPage
and
The Board of Trustees of Illinois State University**

College of DuPage (COD) and the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University (ISU) hereby form a cooperative relationship through this articulation agreement to better serve our public constituents, to smooth the transfer process, to minimize duplication of instruction and to build on community college and university learning experiences. Both institutions recognize that by working together, their collective efforts are stronger than their individual efforts.

The two institutions agree to the following:

1. Students who successfully complete the Health Information Technology (HIT) program and all other appropriate requirements for an Associate in Applied Science Health Information Technology degree at COD and meet all general ISU and program admission criteria will be admitted to ISU, and generally, would be placed at the junior level.
2. Acceptance into a specific ISU degree program is based on each individual transfer student meeting the conditions and considerations listed for that program. Specifically, students successfully completing a Health Information Technology (HIT) program and all other appropriate requirements for an Associate in Applied Science Health Information Technology degree at COD, prescribed in Exhibit A (attached), will be admitted to the Baccalaureate Health Informatics and Management program at ISU, subject to available capacity in the degree program. The minimum cumulative transfer GPA for admission to the Health Informatics and Management program at ISU is 2.25.
3. The courses listed in the attached Exhibit A that prescribe COD Health Information Technology program courses have been reviewed and accepted for transfer to ISU as part of the B.S. in Health Informatics and Management program. Students must meet all ISU graduation requirements, including General Education, as a condition of receiving an ISU B.S. in Health Information Technology (HIT) degree.
4. This agreement does not guarantee admission for students seeking readmission or reinstatement to ISU.
5. Relationships between COD and ISU faculty and administration are in the spirit of cooperation and provide the basis of this agreement.
6. Representatives of both institutions agree to meet or communicate on a regular basis, but at least every other year, to assess curricular changes and other conditions that may affect the nature of the agreement.
7. This agreement does not preclude either institution from making curriculum changes. The other party will be notified promptly in writing of any such curriculum changes.
8. Subject to review and approval of both parties, appropriate publications and promotional materials regarding this agreement will be made available to all COD students with interest in the program.

9. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving at least one year's advance notice to the cooperating institution's chief academic officer. Students participating at the time of termination will be permitted to complete the program.
10. This agreement will become effective upon signature by all parties, and will continue for a period of one (1) year, and will automatically renew each year for a total period not to exceed ten (10) years unless terminated in accordance with paragraph 9 above.
11. It is understood and agreed that neither party to this Agreement shall be legally liable for any negligent or wrongful acts, either of commission or omission, of the other, unless such liability is imposed by law and this Agreement shall not be construed as seeking to either enlarge or diminish any obligation or duty owed by one party against the other or against third parties.
12. Both parties agree to comply with all applicable federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders, and regulations. Neither party shall engage in unlawful discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, pregnancy, sexual orientation, order of protection, gender identity and expression, age, marital status, disability, genetic information, unfavorable military discharge, status as a veteran, or sex (including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking).
13. The relationship of each party to the other under this Agreement shall be that of independent contractor, and no employment, partnership, or joint venture relationship shall be created by the entry into or performance of this Agreement by the parties.
14. Both parties affirm that, to the best of its knowledge, there exists no actual or potential conflict between such party's family, business, or financial interests and its obligations under this Agreement; and, in the event of a change in either of its private interests or obligations under this Agreement, and such party will raise to the other any questions regarding a possible conflict of interest which may arise as a result of such change.
15. This Agreement may not be assigned to either party without the prior written consent of the other party. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Agreement, attachments, and incorporated references shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the content of said Agreement. This Agreement may not be amended by either party unless such amendment is mutually acceptable to both parties and is reduced to writing and signed by both parties.
16. The failure of either party to enforce any provision hereof shall not be construed as a waiver of such party's right to enforce such provisions in the future. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be void, voidable or otherwise unenforceable, the remaining provisions, shall remain in full force and effect. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard to the conflicts of laws. Any dispute arising hereunder shall be brought only in the appropriate courts located in Illinois. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, including by facsimile signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.
17. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

Exhibit A
To the Articulation Agreement
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If a student completes the Health Information Technology (HIT) program and all other appropriate requirements for an Associate in Applied Science Health Information Technology degree at College of DuPage and is admitted to Illinois State University, that student shall be eligible for this Articulation Agreement.

1. This Articulation Agreement is only appropriate for students who transfer from College of DuPage with an Associate in Applied Science Health Information Technology degree pursue a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Informatics and Management, RHIT to HIM Online Sequence, from Illinois State University.
2. These students must complete the requirements for the Associate in Applied Science degree in Health Information Technology from College of DuPage as detailed in this agreement.
3. Prior to enrolling in major sequence courses at Illinois State University, students must complete, at minimum, 15 credit hours toward the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC). It is strongly recommended that the 15 hours include the Communications category, the Math category, and at least one of the required courses in the Science category. Remaining courses required to complete the IAI GECC may be completed after students have begun major sequence courses at Illinois State University. Transferable courses from College of DuPage are outlined below.

Communication – (9 hours/3 courses required. A grade of C or better required)

- Writing Course I –(ENGL 1101 meets requirement)
- Writing Course II – (ENGL 1102 meets requirement)
- Oral Communication – (SPEE 1100 meets requirement)

Mathematics – (3 hours/1 course required)

- PSYC 2280 meets requirement as well as major requirement for statistics

Physical and Life Sciences – (7 hours/2 courses; one course must include lab)

- Life Science Course (BIOL 1100, BIOL 1151,meet requirement)
- Physical Science Course (CHEM 1105, CHEM 1137, CHEM 1205, CHEM 1211, CHEM 1551 meet requirement)

4. Prior to enrolling in major sequence courses at Illinois State University, students must provide evidence of a current Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) credential. This credential must be maintained throughout a student's enrollment in the program.

5. Students must satisfactorily (grade of C or higher) complete the following major course requirements at Illinois State University to complete the Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Informatics and Management, RHIT to HIM Online Sequence:

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
HSC 326	Healthcare Financial Management and Reimbursement Systems	6
HSC 327	Healthcare Quality Management, Law, & Risk Management	6
HSC 328	Planning, Implementation, & Management of Health Information Systems	6
HSC 329	Management for the Health Information Administrator	6
HSC 330	Health Data Analysis for Decision Making	6
HSC 398A03	Professional Practice in Health Information Management	3

Total credit hours = 33

One course is completed each term, year-round. With the exception of HSC 398A03, students may begin the sequence with any of the above courses and proceed in order from there. HSC 398A03 may be taken during the student's final semester, or on its own in the final semester.

6. Upon successful completion (grades of C or higher) of three major courses in the RHIT to HIM Online Sequence, students will earn proficiency credit toward the Health Information Management core courses. Proficiency credit is granted for the following courses where there is no existing course articulation:

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
HSC 105	Medical Terminology	3
KNR or BSC 181	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
KNR or BSC 182	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
HSC 201	Pathophysiology I	3
HSC 202	Pathophysiology II	3
HSC 204	Health Data Analysis	3
HSC 210	Introduction to Health Information Management	3
HSC 212	Healthcare Classification and Indexing Systems	3
HSC 213	Hospital Inpatient Classification and Reimbursement Processes	3
HSC 230	Legal Aspects of Health Information and Risk Management	3
HSC 298A03	Professional Practice: Health information Management Clinical Internship	3

Total credit hours = 33

7. Students under the foregoing articulation agreement must meet all other graduation requirements as listed in the student's undergraduate catalog at Illinois State University, including completion of the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC). This includes approved courses in the humanities, the fine arts, an additional course in either the humanities or fine arts, and three courses in at least two disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences. One of these courses must focus on non-Western subject matter ("AMALI" graduation requirement). In addition, beginning with the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog, students will be required to complete a course that fulfills the IDEAS diversity requirement. For further information please consult www.itransfer.org.

Sample map term by term:

<https://catalog.cod.edu/programs-study/health-information-technology/health-information-technology-aas/#programmapttext>

COD HIT Program Prerequisites

Code	Title	Credits
CIS 1150	Understand Computers/Information/Systems	3
ENGLI 1101	English Composition I	3
ANAT 1500	Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology	4
HLTHS 1110	Biomedical Terminology	3
Total Credits		13

Course List

COD AAS HIT Program Courses

FIRST SEMESTER - FALL		CREDITS
HIT 1130	Survey of Health Information Management	4
SPEEC 1100	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3
HIT 1107	CPT Coding	3
PSYCH 2280 or SOCIO 2205	Statistics/Social & Behavioral Sciences or Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
	Credits	13
SECOND SEMESTER - SPRING		
HIT 1140	Disease and Pharmacology for Health Information Technology	4
HIT 1110	Diagnostic Coding	3
HIT 1210	Health Information Statistics and Analysis	3
HUMNT 1102	Introduction to Humanities: Ideas and Values ³	3
	Credits	13
THIRD SEMESTER - FALL		
HIT 2110	Health Information Law and Compliance	4
PSYCH 1100	General Psychology	3
HIT 1109	Inpatient Procedural Coding	3
CIS 1221	Data Analysis with Spreadsheets	3
	Credits	13
FOURTH SEMESTER - SPRING		
HIT 2208	Advanced Medical Coding	3
HIT 2217	Revenue Cycle Management	4
HIT 2240	Health Information Organizational Management and Leadership	3
HIT 2250	Health Information Technology Capstone	2
	Credits	12
	Total Credits	51

¹ Previous credit for **ENGLI 1101** English Composition I will be accepted, students new to program should take **ENGLI 1105** Workplace Writing.

² Program requisite

³ **HUMNT 1102** Introduction to Humanities: Ideas and Values is recommended, but students can take any Humanities course that meets the AAS general education requirement.

Additional Courses to be Completed for Illinois State University BS HIM online

Any missing courses required to transfer not already included in AAS

Mathematics – (3 hours/1 course required)

-PSYC 2280 meets requirement as well as major requirement for statistics

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